



Biography

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Captain (CAPT) Debra Scott was appointed Director of the Division of Business Development at Federal Occupational Health (FOH), Office of the Assistant Secretary for Administration and Management, Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) on June 21, 2007.

As Director of Business Development, CAPT Scott is responsible for supervising a team of dedicated Occupational Health Consultants in developing relationships with FOH customers and assisting them to obtain cost effective occupational health services that ensure the health, productivity and safety of their Federal workforce. Her responsibilities include developing the FOH business strategy to promote FOH sustainability while ensuring customer satisfaction, and acting as a customer advocate within FOH. She promotes excellent business practices and supervises the Health Communications and Marketing Team.

CAPT Scott received her commission as an officer in the United States Public Health Service (PHS) in 1997, and began her career as the first Quality and Accreditation Manager for Immigration Health Services (DIHS). She was promoted to Associate Director of Policy and Planning and her time at DIHS included a detail as Special Assistant to the Chief of Staff (Acting) in the Office of The Surgeon General. CAPT Scott served as National Nurse Consultant at the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) where she worked to place NHSC clinicians in underserved communities. She also served as a NHSC Ready Responder in rural Hawaii working with the Native Hawaiian Health Care Systems as a Nurse Consultant.

CAPT Scott received her first administrative position 1981 at a teaching hospital in Colorado, and later worked in the field of international health care for over eleven years prior to becoming an officer. Assignments abroad as a nursing administrator included locations such as Saipan, Guam, and Saudi Arabia. In her time off between international contracts and her volunteer work, she has traveled extensively throughout Asia, the Middle East, Africa and Europe.

CAPT Scott has a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Loyola University of Chicago, and a Master of Science Degree in Healthcare Administration from Alameda University. She is a member of Sigma Theta Tau, the National Honor Society for Nursing and spent her junior year abroad in Rome, Italy taking studying Classical Studies.

In addition to numerous PHS Awards, CAPT Scott has received the NHSC Director's Award for Excellence, The Secretary's Award for Heroism and Exceptional Volunteer Service for 9/11 Response, The Secretary's Award for Distinguished Service on two separate occasions, and most recently the Chief Nurse Award. She has authored several professional papers, is member of numerous professional organizations, and continues her community volunteer service as time permits.